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Sir:

Applicant cites the information on the attached Form PTO-1449, "List of Information Disclosed by Applicant," pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56, 1.97, and 1.98. Applicant has enclosed a copy of each cited foreign item.

Items AI-AO listed on the attached Form PTO-1449 are not in the English language. For item AL, Applicant has cited corresponding U.S. Patent No. 6,036,661, which claims priority to item AL. Applicant submits that the U.S. patent includes subject matter similar to item AL and provides an explanation of the relevance of that document.

Regarding item AI, Applicant submits the following as a concise statement of the relevance of that document: Item AI relates to a first and second transport unit (3, 4) for the transportation of an x-ray device (1) and a monitor trolley (2) over uneven ground. Rod-like holding parts (23, 24) of the respective transport unit (3, 4) are under ridden under the respective one of the x-ray device and the monitor trolley so that the same can be lifted by means of

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hydraulic devices (20, 21). At a desired place of use, the x-ray device and the monitor trolley are unloaded. The x-ray device (1) and the monitor trolley (2) cannot be used in their lifted position on their respective transport units (3, 4) but need to be let down and separated from their transport unit for use.

Regarding item AJ, Applicant submits the following as a concise statement of the relevance of that document: Item AJ discloses a chassis frame (1) for a medical device. The chassis frame is constructed as simply as possible, comprising a plate-like formed frame (2) having slits (17), as shown in Figure 2. Brackets (18) of a column (3) of the medical device are led through the slits (17). Through openings (19) of the brackets (18), fixing means (20) are led to fix the column (3) to the frame (2), as shown in Figure 1. Item AJ does not specify the type(s) of medical device(s) for which the chassis frame can be used. In addition, item AJ does not specify whether the chassis frame is only for transportation of the medical device or whether it is part of the same.

Regarding item AK, Applicant submits the following as a concise statement of the relevance of that document: Item AK discloses a C-arm X-ray device having a unit (4) with wheels (2a, 2b, 3a, 3b). At least one of the wheels (2a, 2b) comprises an electromechanical parking brake (38, 51, 61), which can be switched on and off by means of a button (42, 76) or by means of a switch (41, 75). The brake (38, 51, 61) is capable of being switched on and off mechanically. The wheels (2a, 2b) are provided with electric motors (30, 50, 60) for driving.

Regarding item AM, Applicant submits the following as a concise statement of the relevance of that document: Item AM discloses a device for medical emergency cases. The device comprises a wall-like structure (1) and has wheels (9, 10, 11, 12). At the bottom of the wall-like structure (1), a surrounding bumper edge (8) is provided.

Regarding item AN, Applicant submits the following as a concise statement of the relevance of that document: Item AN relates to a mobile x-ray diagnosis apparatus comprising a C-arm x-ray device and a chassis frame (11). Between the x-ray device and the chassis frame, a bed (13) is provided with a longitudinally moveable slide (14) for allowing a corresponding movement of the x-ray device with respect to the chassis frame (11). The x-ray device is

connected with the slide (14) via a turntable (15). The x-ray device and the chassis frame need to be permanently secured to each other as, otherwise, the x-ray device could easily fall off.

Regarding item AO, Applicant submits the following as a concise statement of the relevance of that document: Item AO relates to an x-ray device with a pair of first wheels (1, 2), for movement in a first direction. The x-ray device further comprises a pair of second wheels (16, 17) which are, for movement in a second direction traverse to the first direction, deployable beyond the pair of first wheels, as shown in Figure 2. Item AO does not disclose a carriage separate from the x-ray device.

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